

Abstract

The invention relates to a method of operating an internal combustion engine with an injection device, in which method combustion air is fed to a combustion chamber via an inlet port, fuel is injected into the combustion chamber by means of a fuel nozzle arranged in the combustion chamber, a formed fuel/air mixture is ignited at a certain ignition point by means of a spark plug arranged in the combustion chamber, in which case, during the starting of the internal combustion engine, a high-pressure or a low-pressure start is selected as a function of a minimum fuel pressure built up in the injection device within a defined number of cycles, so that the minimum fuel pressure and the number of cycles are determined as a function of a combustion-chamber temperature, the injection of the fuel into the combustion chamber preferably taking place in a timed sequence during the starting operation.